

a loop on the boss, the loop defining an opening therethrough for the attachment of the stabilizer wire;

at least one upwardly extending raised rib on the top surface at an appropriate distance from the boss, thereby defining a channel between the boss and the at least one raised rib for the seating of an attachment band; and

a pair of depending serrated edges on the bottom surface of the base plate, one of each pair extending downwardly proximate the front and back edges of the bottom surface for the base plate, said depending serrated edges disposed to engage the utility pole upon a tightening of the band.

Claim 2, line 1, change "1" to ---8---.

Claim 3, line 1, change "1" to ---8---.

Claim 6, line 1, change "1" to ---8---.

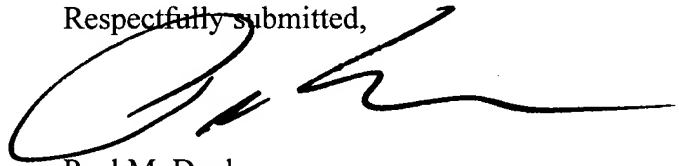
REMARKS

The examiner has cited the prior patent to Aldridge, which is owned by a common assignee of the applicant for this current application, patent No. 5,098,051, as providing anticipatory prior art to the claimed subject matter of this application. Please note that to provide anticipation, the claim of this current application must read directly upon the disclosure as shown and described in the said '051 patent. Primarily, the examiner apparently applies the subject matter as shown in Figs. 13 and 15, as providing anticipatory art. First of all, with respect to Fig. 13, there just is no structure shown that provides any type of an integral boss that is positioned centrally and extends upwardly from the top surface of the base plate. The loop 51 of prior patent, as can be seen, is not centrally located, and extends off at an angle. Secondly, the extending edges 56 through 59 as shown in Fig. 15 of the '051 patent do not extend upwardly from the top surface of its base members 54 and 55, but rather, they extend inwardly, as can be noted. In addition, the amended claim 8 of this application also defines that there are a pair of serrated edges that extend downwardly from the base plate, with one of each of the depending serrated edge being located proximate the front or back edge of the base plate, and extending longitudinally therewith. This can be seen in Fig. 8 of the drawings of this

current application, where the serrated edges 52 and 54 extend downwardly, and longitudinally along the length of the front and back edges of the shown mount. This is also not disclosed in any in any of the Figs. 13 through 19 of the cited '051 patent.

Hence, in light of the structural differences that do exist and prevail between what is claimed in the current application, as now so identified in newly added claim 8, from what is shown in the prior art '051 patent, it is questioned that anticipation is just not made out, under §102, or the amended claims of this application, in light of such cited art. None of these structural differences, as referred above, and as explained in detail, and which are set forth in claim 8, et al, can be found in this earlier Aldridge et al patent. Hence, the examiner's further review of the claims of this application, as amended, in light of this prior art, would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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